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The outcome of the Interference involving parent application 08/482933 has a material bearing on the patentability of the claims in this application. Prosecution in this application remains SUSPENDED pending a final judgment in the interference.

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